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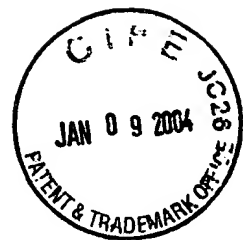
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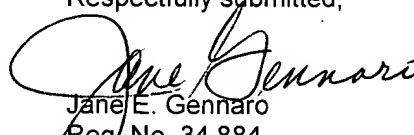
This is in response to the Office Action mailed 24 December 2003.  
Claims 1 to 4 and 8 are pending in this application and are  
rejected.

Claims 5 to 7 and 9 are objected to.

Attached to and made a part of this response in separate pages are a  
Listing of Claims, Text of Claims Currently Under Examination, and Remarks  
on the Examiner's rejection.

Applicant requests reconsideration in light of the Amendment and  
Remarks.

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